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is...and in fact, I don't know of any particular need to do that. If you read the amendment carefully...you can still bring it up on your machine if you want to read the amendment...it contained what I would characterize as very substantial and very substantive conditions. I think that they are conditions that would legitimately protect the citizens of the state of Nebraska and the state's interest. But if there are things that ought to be added, I'm not going to object. I think this should be a highly regulated activity. My basic belief is that it cannot be flatly prohibited, whether that's what you want to do or not. Senator Quandahl is having that amendment reoffered...or, redrafted, I would ask that you at least take the time to review the provisions of the amendment, so that we don't have to have an unnecessarily prolonged discussion. don't think that's appropriate, I don't think that's necessary But we are on the point of a very important this morning. I think the parameters are before you. And I hope decision. you would agree, when the amendment is reoffered, to adopt that. The worst that will happen if that amendment is readopted is that the bill will be held over for one day when we convene again next January. And depending on scheduling by the Speaker, it could be read, as I understand things, the second day, and passed with the emergency clause, and with...if the Governor So very little would be lost. approves, signed. I would, again,...and if you wanted assurances that there wasn't going to be a contract signed by anybody in Rushville, if that was important to you, I would even try to obtain those assurances. And I would do that this morning if that's what you want, if that's what's necessary so that we can act in a prudent fashion today.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. For debate on the motion to return LB 85 to Select File, Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Bromm and Senator Beutler. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we did go through this amendment that Senator Wickersham is having Senator Quandahl draft now. We went through it in several forms before. He says he doesn't want to unduly delay proceedings. Well, I don't think he is, because nobody can tell how long